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### Prohibition Inconsistency.

point. Indeed, this has been the one great for thought .- Detroit Post and Tribune. end which, if their words do not belie them, they have been desirous of attaining, and to gain which, they have been struggling for years. Their constant demand has been that a constitutional amendment, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages, should be submitted to the voters of this state. Of course the only way this can be accomplished is by electing a legislature, two-thirds of whom are favorable to, and will vote for such submission. Recognizing the fact that a very large number of the citizens of Michigan, perhaps a majority of them were in favor of the prohibitory policy, boards of trustees of villages to prohibit the the republican party, keeping step with the progressive ideas of the age, as it always has boundaries of their respective villages. In done, through its representatives, at the Kalamazoo State convention, inserted a plank in its platform demanding a submission of such an amendment to the people. The democratic party dodged this issue: they were unwilling even to allow the people a chance to express their wishes upon the question, through the ballot box. Naturally, whether it has really become a law or not, it might have been presumed that the prohibition party would have cast their influence and their votes, in favor of a party which had solemnly pledged itself to take the first and most important step that must be taken, before it is possible to attain legal prohibition. But no, they did not do this, but put a ticket of their own in the field, knowing that not a man on it could possibly be elected, and on this ticket they threw away votes enough to defeat, by small majorities, enough republican members of the legislature to have given that body more than the requisite two-thirds vote, and to have insured the submission of the desired amendment. Many ardent prohibitionists went to the polls and voted the democratic or fusion ticket, knowing full well at the time that the man they were voting for, for member of the legislature would, if elected, oppose the very thing for which they pretended to be working, by every means in his power, while his republican opponent, would, if elected, vote for a submission of the amendment. The recent votes in our legislature upon the different phases of the liquor question which have been before it, have fully demonstrated the fact, that if this question is not submitted at the present session, as it probably will not be, the members of the prohibition party have themselves, and only themselves to

It is well understood by everybody that the policy and traditions of the democratic party, have been and are now diametrically opposed to prohibition of the liquor traffic. The Detroit Free Press, the organ of that party in this state, scarcely prints an issue, without an argument against submission. and yet fully knowing all this, many prohibationists, at the late spring election, repeated the folly of last fall, by voting the fusion state ticket, while 13,000 others threw away their votes on a state ticket of their own. and thus secured the defeat of a party who had pledged itself to grant what they asked, and the success of a party which is known to be bitterly opposed to their ideas and desires. It will be a long time indeed, before our prohibition friends will achieve, or even merit success, by such a foolish and inconsistent course as they have pursued in Michigan at the last two elections.

### ---A Free Trader Talks Candidly.

The New York Public, a journal of finance and commerce, and an ardent advocate of free trade, refers to the fact that puddlers in the west are paid \$5.50 per ton and in the east \$1.50 per ton, while in Great Britain they are paid only \$1.75 for the same work, and it adds: "There is no decent reason for so wide a difference (as that paid to British and American puddlers.) This country may as well give up manufacturing iron altogether, if it is necessary, in order to maintain men Cocently in that business, to pay them three times the sum paid in England for about the same work."

We invite especial attention to this because it is an exhibit of free trade sentiment, produced with a brutal frankness, which the soft-tongued free traders are ordinarily very careful to avoid.

It is not decent, that is the effect of what the Public says, to pay American workmen three times as much as British workmen are paid for doing the same thing. Why is it not decent? Does not this increase of wages mean increase of opportunity? Does it not Lift labor above poverty and wretchedness? Does it not make better contented citizens? Does it not save the country from a horde of half-fed, disconted men with ballots in their hands, who have the impulsion of hunger to overturn, and the power of votes to strengthon them in the work of overturning?

An increase of wages which preserves a republic from this is not only decent, but it is salvation itself. If there was no reason for it: if all humanitarianism was eliminated from the question, full justification can be found, or rather it is made imperative by Hanging and Kalsomining done to order the necessities of the government and of its Shop on Gremps St., Paw Paw. property, public and private.

To this the average free trader closes his eyes. A second thing, hardly less in consequence, to which free traders are blind, is

the drain of money metal which manufacturing all our iron abroad would create. Such a drain would bring our government and people to bankruptcy in less than 20 years. Nevertheless, rather than pay American iron puddlers three times the wages paid in England, free traders would "give up iron manufacturing altogether." This is the doctrine announced by the Public, and there is Constitutional prohibition has been de- no doubt the same sentiment is entertained clared, over and over again, by those who ad- by a multitude of free traders. Let those vocate the plan of preventing the sale of in- whom free traders approach bear this in toxicating drinks by law, to be their objective mind. It will afford them a good standpoint

> The Michigan legislature has got itself into a curious muddle. A few days since a bill amending the general incorporation act was before it for action. The title of the bill looked harmless and innocent, and members, probably wearied with their long hours of overwork, did not take pains to investigate the matter, but passed it by an almost unanimous vote, and sent it to the governor who approved and signed it. After this had been accomplished, it was discovered that the bill contained a provision permitting the trafile in intoxicating drinks, within the short, it was a local option bill. The liquor men, all of whom voted for the bill without knowing its contents, at once began kicking themselves for their stupidity. By some sort of hocus pocus, the bill was returned to the legislature after being signed by the governor, and now there is a dispute as to The dilemma in which they find themselves, is a peculiar one, and does not indicate a very high degree of sagacity on the part of those who are opposed to all "sumptuary

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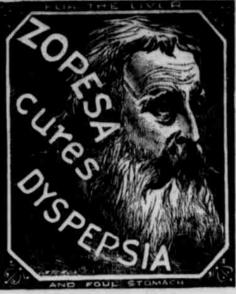
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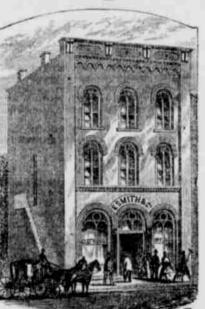
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